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Ruth Coleman, Director

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Dear Local Officials and Interested Parties:

This letter provides updated information from the Office of Grants and Local Services (OGALS). We will continue to send you periodic status reports and other current information. If you prefer not to receive these updates, please contact Cristelle Taillon at (916) 654-8686 or at ctaillon@parks.ca.gov.

UPDATE ON ANNUAL GRANT PROGRAMS

Habitat Conservation Program (HCF)

Application Filing Deadline

Applications for the next cycle must be postmarked or delivered no later than October 3, 2011.

Send HCF project applications to:

California State Parks
Office of Grants and Local Services
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

The HCF program consists of seven program categories, which include:

- (1) Deer/Mountain Lion Habitat,
- (2) Rare, Endangered, Threatened or Fully Protected Species,
- (3) Wetlands,
- (4) Anadromous Salmonids and Trout Habitat,
- (5) Riparian Habitat,
- (6) Trails,
- (7) Wildlife Area Activities (an event or series of events intended to bring urban residents into areas with indigenous plants and animals).

HCF Application Guides - Final Draft dated July 1, 2011

OGALS has created a separate application guide for each of the above-listed seven program categories. To obtain electronic copies of these guides, visit the OGALS HCF website at http://www.parks.ca.gov/grants and follow the links to the Habitat Conservation Fund Program. To obtain hard copies, contact OGALS at (916) 653-7423. Use these HCF Application Guides for the upcoming October 3, 2011 application cycle.

HCF Program Contacts

If you have questions about the HCF, please contact your OGALS Project Officer, HCF Lead Project Officer John Mason at imason@parks.ca.gov or (916) 651-3143 or Supervisor Richard Rendón at rend@parks.ca.gov or (916) 651-7600.

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Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Application Filing Deadline

Applications for the next cycle must be postmarked or delivered no later than November 1, 2011.

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Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

The LWCF program provides matching grants for acquisition or development of lands and facilities that provide or support public outdoor recreation. Local units of government, including cities, counties, and districts that are authorized to acquire, develop, operate and maintain park and recreation areas are eligible to apply.

The amount of the State's apportionment for this year is \$1,745,815.

LWCF Application Guide - May 27, 2010 Draft Grant Application Guide

Please use the guide dated "May 27, 2010 Draft Grant Application Guide." This application guide and the LWCF administration guide are available on our web page at http://www.parks.ca.gov/grants and follow the links to the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

LWCF Program Contacts

If you have any questions about the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, please contact your OGALS Project Officer, LWCF Project Officer Jeanne Ekstrom at jmeks@parks.ca.gov or (916) 651-7737 or LWCF Supervisor Cynthia Wong at cwong@parks.ca.gov or (916) 651-8574.

Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

Due to the uncertainty of RTP funding for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012 and beyond, OGALS will not be accepting applications for funding at this time. If funding becomes available at a later date, OGALS will conduct an application cycle in 2012 with an application due date of January 9, 2012. To learn more about the status of the RTP, visit OGALS' website at www.parks.ca.gov/grants and follow the links to the Recreational Trails Program.

Sincerely.

Patti Keating, Chief

Office of Grants and Local Services

cc: OGALS Staff